CAPSULE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey No.: CH-426 (PACS A40) Construction Date: circa 1890

Name: Susan J. Chappelear Property

Location: East side of Gallant Green Road, north of Leonardtown Road, Hughesville

vicinity, Charles County

Private/Residence/Occupied/Fair/Restricted

Description:

The Susan J. Chappelear Property is a 2-story, 3-bay side-gable I-house on Gallant Green Road in the vicinity of Hughesville, Charles County. Constructed circa 1890, the building has a center gable and a 2-story rear ell. The structure has a standing seam metal, side-gable roof with brick chimneys at the end walls. The ell has an asphalt shingle roof with one brick chimney. The structure is of wood-frame construction with asbestos shingle siding, and it has a brick foundation. The front elevation has an entry porch, and the ell has two entry porches. The building has several different window types, including double-hung wood, fixed, and aluminum replacement windows.

Significance:

The Maryland Historical Trust determined on August 29, 1997 that the Susan J. Chappelear Property is not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. The property is not eligible under Criterion A, as research conducted indicates no association with any historic events or trends significant in the development of national, state or local history. Historic research indicates that the property has no association with persons who have made specific contributions to history, and therefore, it does not meet Criterion B. The property is not eligible under Criterion C, as its condition has compromised its architectural integrity.

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. Name	: (indicate preferred	name)		
historic Susan	J. Chappelear Property			
and/or common	David Gwynn Property			
2. Loca	tion:			
street & number	East side of Gallant Gre	en Road, north of Leonard	town Rd not for	publication
city, town Hugh	nesville <u>x</u> vic	inity of cong	ressional district	
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3. Clas	sification:			
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7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one	
excellent _good	deteriorated ruins	unaltered _x_altered	<u>x</u> original site moved	date of move
fair	unexposed			

Resource Count: 7

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

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The structure has a standing seam metal, side-gable roof with brick chimneys at the end walls. The ell has an asphalt shingle roof with one brick chimney. The structure is of wood-frame construction with asbestos shingle siding, and it has a brick foundation. The front elevation has an entry porch, and the ell has two entry porches. The building has several different window types, including double-hung wood, fixed, and aluminum replacement windows.

The south, or front elevation has an asphalt shingle, hipped roof entry porch. The roof of the porch is supported by tapered and chamfered wood posts, one of which is missing. The fenestration pattern is symmetrical; there is a centered 4-light wood door, a single 6/6 double-hung window, and a pair of 6/6 double-hung windows on the first story. The second story has two single, and one pair of 6/6 double-hung windows, and there is a 2-light, semi-circular window in the center gable.

a west elevation has an asphalt shingle, shed-roof entry porch within the ell. The porch roof is supported by chamfered wood posts. The fenestration pattern of this elevation is symmetrical. The I-house has three 6/1 double-hung windows on the first story and a pair of 6/6 double hung windows on the second story. The first story of the ell has a window closed with shutters and a 9-light metal fixed window. There are two 1/1 aluminum replacement windows on the second story.

The north elevation of the I-house is concealed on the first bay by the ell. There are two 1/1 aluminum replacement windows on the second story of the I-house; the ell has no fenestration.

The east elevation has an asphalt shingle, shed-roof entry porch at the ell. The porch roof has exposed joists and is supported by turned wood posts. The fenestration pattern of this elevation is irregular. The I-house has one 6/6 double-hung wood window on both the first and second stories. The ell has a 4-light wood door, a 1/1 double-hung aluminum replacement window, and a pair of 6/6 double-hung windows on the first story. There is a 6/1 double-hung wood window and a 1/1 double-hung aluminum replacement window on the second story, and the enclosed part of the entry porch has a pair of 6/1 double-hung wood windows.

The interior of the building has a center hall plan, characteristic of the I-house style, and the ell contains a kitchen.

There are six outbuildings associated with this property. The first outbuilding is a garage with a standing seam metal, side-gable roof. Constructed circa 1920, the garage is of wood-frame construction with asbestos shingle siding, and it is located approximately 23 meters (75 feet) southeast of the house.

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The second outbuilding is a chickenhouse with a standing seam metal, shed-roof. Constructed circa 1920, the chickenhouse is of wood-frame construction with asbestos siding. The chickenhouse is located southeast of the house, adjacent to the garage.

The third outbuilding is a barn with a standing seam metal, front-gambrel roof. Constructed circa 1920, the barn is of wood-frame construction with wood siding. The siding on the east side is missing. The barn is located southeast of the house, approximately 150 meters (490 feet) east of the garage and chickenhouse.

The fourth outbuilding is a shed with a standing seam metal, side-gable roof. Constructed circa 1950, the shed is of concrete block construction and it is located approximately 150 meters (490 feet) east of the I-house, northeast of the garage and chickenhouse, and north of the barn.

The fifth outbuilding is a barn with a standing seam metal, front-gambrel roof. Constructed circa 1920, the barn is of wood-frame construction with wood siding. Some of the siding is missing. The barn is located approximately 230 meters (750 feet) northeast of the I-house and north of the other four outbuildings.

3 sixth outbuilding is a tobacco barn with a standing seam metal, front-gambrel roof. Constructed circa 1930, the barn is of wood-frame construction with wood siding. The barn has vents in the soffits, and much of the interior wood framing has been replaced. The barn is located on the west side of Gallant Green Road, approximately 0.8 kilometers (0.5 miles) northwest of the I-house and other outbuildings.

The property is located on both sides of Gallant Green Road, with residential property to the south, farmland to the north and west, and a railroad to the east. The site is generally level, and there are several old trees on the property. The property's setting is a rural area.

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Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Susan J. Chappelear Property, constructed circa 1890, is significant as an intact example of a vernacular farm complex, including the I-house, three barns, a garage and a chickenhouse. The I-house has not been significantly altered, the structure retains integrity of form and material, and its setting remains intact. There are no detailed, published historic maps of Charles County, Maryland that locate and indicate ownership of structures. According to deed search, Susan J. Chappelear purchased the 27 hectare (68 acre) lot in two separate ansactions. First, in August 1883 she purchased 6 hectares (16 acres). Later, in September 1883, she obtained the remaining 24 hectares (60 acres). A house was constructed on the land circa 1890. The property was sold a number of times until it was purchased by its current owner, David H. Gwynn, in 1985. Under Mr. Gwynn's ownership, the parcel associated with the premises has increased to 41 hectares (102 acres).

The Susan J. Chappelear Property is located in Charles County, Maryland. The Maryland Colony was granted by King Charles I to Lord Baltimore in 1632. Two years later, the first European community was established at St. Mary's City. Subsequent colonization moved north, along the Potomac and Patuxent Rivers. As settlers migrated away from St. Mary's City, the formation of a new county became necessary, and Charles County was founded in 1658. This area was originally inhabited by Algonquins of the Powhatan Confederacy. Road clearing began in the mid-eighteenth century as a result of the establishment of port towns and Maryland's rising population. Tobacco cultivation dominated the economic and social life of Charles County until the mid-nineteenth century when soil exhaustion required agricultural diversification. The introduction of rail lines in the late nineteenth century linked Charles County with the north and south, encouraging trade. While the suburbanization of Charles County was ensured by the widespread availability of the automobile in the mid-twentieth century, the County has retained its rural and agricultural character.

The area that became Hughesville was located in Lord Baltimore's grant of 6,879.9 hectares (17,000 acres) of Newport Hundred to Major William Boarman during 1650-1699. This land included the region "east of Zachiah Swamp" and became known as Boarman's Manor. Hughesville does not appear on an 1840 Map of a Part of Maryland, and Fisher's 1852 Gazetteer of the State of Maryland "id not list the community. Hughesville was located at the crossroads of two of the main routes rough Charles County: Burnt Store to Patuxent City and on to Annapolis, (Burnt Store Road and Prince Frederick Road/Route 231) and Bryantown to Charlotte Hall and on to St. Mary's City (Leonardtown Road/Route 5). Accordingly, Hughesville is shown on Martenet's 1866 Map of

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Maryland, Atlas Edition. The 1871 State Gazette and Merchants and Farmers Directory for Maryland and the District of Columbia called Hughesville a "post town." Bland's 1887 Maryland Directory and State Gazetteer listed both Episcopal and Roman Catholic churches in Hughesville as well as a Friends' school, four (4) general merchandise stores, two (2) saloons, two (2) undertakers, a wheelwright, a blacksmith, a tobacco buyer, and a population of fifty (50). Gannett's 1904 Gazetteer of Maryland defined Hughesville as a "post village...on the Washington, Potomac and Chesapeake Railroad" (Gannett 1904: 43). By 1906 the community was known as "a station of the Southern Maryland Railroad...and a banking town" with two (2) physicians, two (2) general stores, two (2) blacksmiths, a grist and saw mill, a flour mill, an undertaker and livery, a hotel, a hotel and saloon, a grocer and saloon, an insurance salesman, and a population of 150 (Maryland 1906: 667).

The Susan J. Chappelear Property is an I-house. The standard I-house is one room deep and two stories tall with three to five openings on each story. From the front, an I-house is often indistinguishable from a Georgian house. The gable view, however, reveals the greater depth of the Georgian house. Chimneys are most often located on the interior of the gable ends, however, some I-houses can have central or external chimneys. Usually, an I-house has a 1-story porch running the length or nearly the length of the long side. On the interior, a central hall parates the two rooms on the first floor; the second floor contains either two or four sleeping chambers. Due to the narrowness of the main core, many I-houses have kitchen wings to the rear. During the Victorian period, pre-cut detailing or a 2-tiered porch was commonly grafted onto the traditional I-house. The I-form was popular into the early twentieth century, with examples appearing in catalogs of mass-produced suburban houses (Gowans 1992, 55-6).

The outbuildings associated with the Susan J. Chappelear Property were used for agriculture. Most inhabitants of the project area were engaged in farming at the time of first settlement. The barn was the principal building erected on a farm which provided space for cows, horses, equipment, and hay, straw or tobacco storage. Throughout the nineteenth century, barns increased in size or were newly built to include space for smaller animals, such as poultry and pigs, and as a place for the threshing and storage of grain. Their size also increased during the nineteenth century as the introduction of improved equipment led to more efficient and profitable operations, and, consequently, to increased need for storage facilities (Grow 1985, 60 and 76). Typically, livestock was housed on the lower level, while the upper level was reserved for the storage of hay and straw, and the threshing and storage of feed grains.

One of the outbuildings on the property is a tobacco barn. The production of tobacco created the need for a barn designed for the special storage and "curing" of the crop. The structures were long, wooden buildings with a gable roof. The interior had a central aisle and was divided into compartments by a network of wooden beams and "tie-poles." From these beams the tobacco was hung and allowed to naturally air-dry. To facilitate the curing process, the barns were designed with several methods of ventilation. Many barns had windows or ventilators near the

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roof ridge, while others had vertical board siding which were hinged for vent openings or loosely spaced. Another common feature was the elevation of the barn on "legs" which provided air circulation from below the barn (Caravan 1995, 37).

Barn construction followed ethnic traditions. Dutch barns were nearly square and covered with a highly pitched roof. They employed a three-bay design with a large door at the center and smaller doors at the eaves which allowed access for the livestock. Hay was stored in a loft area above the animals. The English barn also contained three bays but with a long horizontal face and a low pitched gable roof. Where Dutch and English settlement coincided, a barn which combined construction styles developed (Arthur and Witney 1988, 36-83).

Foundation walls were frequently of fieldstone masonry construction which was also used most frequently for gable end walls before the mid nineteenth century, when increasing supplies and reduced cost of pre-cut lumber led to the adoption of wood. Vertical sheathing was often used for front and rear facades from an early date. Roofs were covered with shingle, slate, or metal. On late eighteenth and early nineteenth century barns, a series of tall vertical vents, or embrasures, punctuated the walls, providing ventilation and illumination of the barn's interior. The wood walls of later barns featured louvers and windows for the same purpose.

National Register Evaluation:

The Maryland Historical Trust determined on August 29, 1997 that the Susan J. Chappelear Property is not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. The property is not eligible under Criterion A, as research conducted indicates no association with any historic events or trends significant in the development of national, state or local history. Historic research indicates that the property has no association with persons who have made specific contributions to history, and therefore, it does not meet Criterion B. The property is not eligible under Criterion C, as its condition has compromised its architectural integrity. Finally, the structure has no known potential to yield important information, and therefore, is not eligible under Criterion D.

Eligibility recommended Comments	MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUS Eligibility Not	
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Major Bibliographical References Survey No. CH-426 (PACS A40) See Continuation Sheet 10. Geographical Data Acreage of nominated property Quadrangle name <u>Hughesville</u>, MD Quadrangle scale 1:24,000 Verbal boundary description and justification List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries state code county code state code county code Form Prepared By 11. name/title Caroline Hall/Ryan McKay

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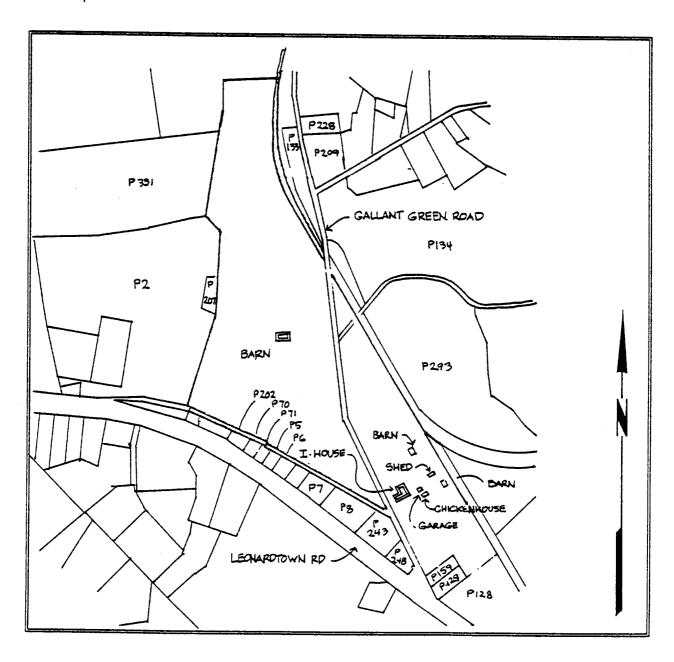
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Historic Context:

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Geographic Organization:

Western Shore

Chronological/Developmental Period Theme (s):

Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):

Architecture

RESOURCE TYPE:

Category (see Section 3 of survey form):

Building

Historic Environment (urban, suburban, village, or rural):

Rural

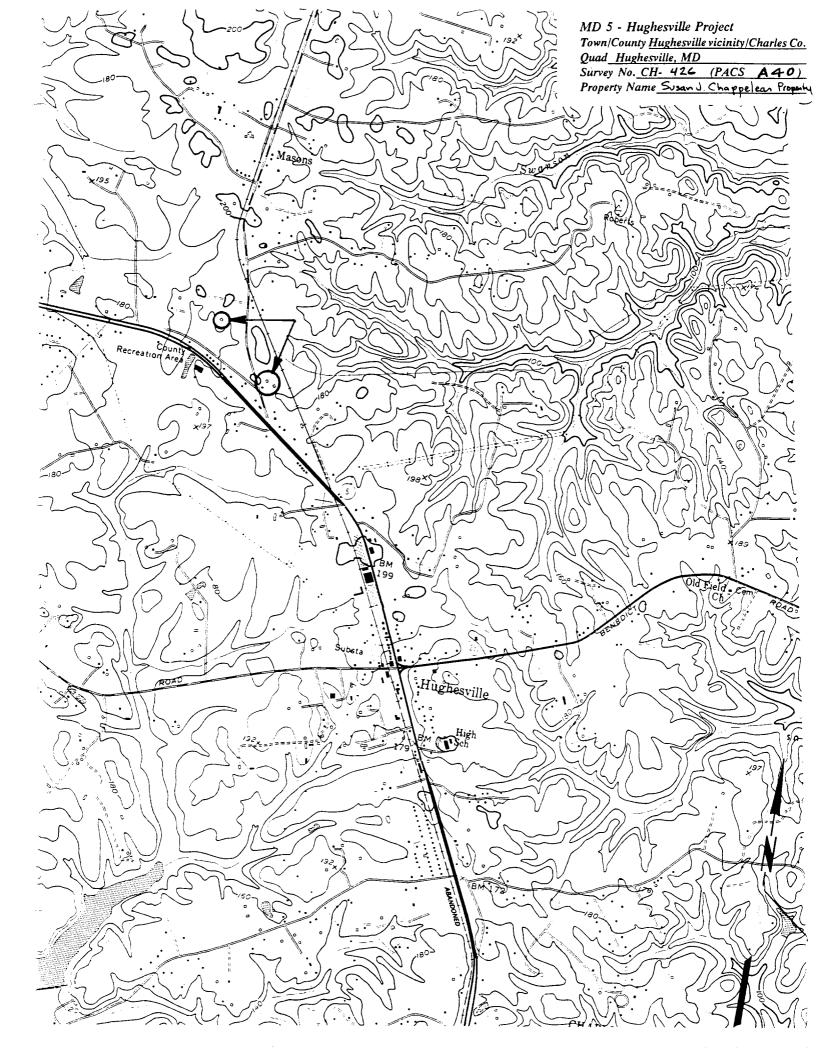
Historic Function(s) and Use(s):

Private Residence and Farm

Known Design Source (write none if unknown):

None

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